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MUST END SOON.

Things have come to a pretty pass when it all depends upon the lawyer you have whether you win or lose your case in court in Kentucky. But it has been so, more or less, for years. The pool room raid of last year illustrated that. Recent events have brought the fact more forcibly to public attention, that is all. There was a time, and it will come again, when such lawyers were disbarred from practice and officials who tolerated such things were removed from office. The law has not been changed, only its enforcement is a trifle away. It will right itself, it may be with a jar and a hot time, but it will right itself when the people get really tired of rascally juggling.

TRANSPARENT.

Another gas ordinance, with the vetoed features eliminated, has passed the Board of Councilmen and is pending in the Board of Aldermen. Several Aldermen—whose votes defeated the previous ordinance, notwithstanding the "defects" they objected to have been remedied—still find fault with the new ordinance and insist on its amendment.

It is claimed their amendments are immaterial and do not seriously affect the measure. The changing of a word requires the return of the ordinance to the lower board for concurrence, and this causes what the opposition seems to be really seeking—time for further objections and the ultimate defeat of the purpose of the ordinance, either by preventing its passage altogether or in forcing it to be so amended as to be ineffective if passed.

Such legislative trickery is too transparent to deceive. Those Aldermen are in favor of the old gas company and opposed to permitting any competition with it—that is, competition that can compete—and all their professions and dodging can not conceal their real position.

BRITISH-GERMAN AGREEMENT

The British Government, press and politicians are in high glee over a surprise sprung on the world, a "secret" agreement between Great Britain and Germany on the Chinese question. The only secrecy about it is its terms, for all the world knew that the Kaiser and his grandma had been hobnobbing for several years on a scheme for international supremacy, particularly in the far East. The only surprise is that the terms of the agreement are so loose and inefficient as to really amount to nothing, the third clause permitting a ready release from all its provisions when either party so desires.

It frightens none, especially Russia and France, who have undoubtedly prepared for worse. It cajoles none, especially the United States, which has and will continue to pursue an independent course, though it seems to support three propositions urged by the United States—the "open door" in all ports for trade, the maintenance of Chinese Government, and the pledge to not claim or seize Chinese territory, to neither of which propositions by the United States has England or Germany shown the courtesy of a reply, and even these provisions, in the third clause, have a string to them. The agreement is courteously—it seems as a bait—submitted to all the nations for acceptance. All seem favorably impressed therewith, but do not jump to conclusions and the United States, the

first to reply, wants to know, you know, whether the agreement is simply to apply to China or is it to be construed to apply to other international questions elsewhere—and all other Governments seem to have halted to await the reply to Uncle Sam's query. The gravity of the query is manifested by the fact that the English press do not mention it, nor does there seem to be any haste, as the conditions and circumstances seem to necessitate, in answering.

The delay since publishing the agreement has given time for its consideration and discussion, and the question propounded by the United States has aroused suspicion as to the real purpose and object of the agreement, since it is liable to different constructions from different points of view, and may enable England and Germany to abide by it till their object is attained, and then under the third clause withdraw, this right of withdrawal not being conceded to other nations accepting it, "the two contracting parties" only being specifically mentioned in this clause. It reads:

"The German Government and the Government of Great Britain, being desirous to maintain their interests in China and their rights under existing treaties, have agreed to observe the following principles regarding a mutual policy:

"First—These two Governments agree to uphold for all of China, so far as they can exercise their influence, that the rivers and harbors shall remain open and free to trade and to every other form of economic activity for the people of all countries without distinction.

"Second—Both Governments will not on their part make use of the present complications to obtain for themselves any territorial advantages in Chinese dominion, and will direct their policy toward maintaining undiminished the territorial condition of the Chinese empire.

"Third—In case of another power making use of the complications in China in order to obtain under any form whatever such territorial advantages, the two contracting parties reserve to themselves the right to a preliminary understanding regarding the eventual step to be taken for the protection of their own interests in China.

"Fourth—The two Governments will communicate this agreement to the other powers interested, especially Austro-Hungary, France, Italy, Japan, Russia and the United States, and invite them to accept the principles herein recorded."

Everything agreed to has been heretofore proposed by the United States, and every Government, except England and Germany have signified their acceptance. Only the failure of England and Germany to agree has prevented the acceptance by other Governments heretofore. Now that they, after a year's secret and mysterious conference, should jointly propose just what they have withheld approval of, suggests doubt of their sincerity and purpose, and gives rise to the suspicion that there is a real secret agreement between them for other purposes and objects. England gains nothing by the agreement, except the alliance and aid of Germany in preventing what she believes to be the design of Russia and France to acquire or seize Chinese territory, while she concedes what she has always heretofore failed to yield, despite her professions, "the open door" for trade in Chinese ports controlled by her. Germany, a new comer in the Eastern market, gains an open-

ing for trade. The other commercial nations will gain only similar trade privileges in the ports controlled by England. If England is sincere in the proposed agreement, she has been simply bunned by the Kaiser, who has nothing to lose, and has opened the way for other nations to share in the benefits at England's expense, but it is improbable that England is sincere. If so it is the first time in her history that she has been guilty of such an offense.

There appears to many a lamentable apathy upon the part of the local managers of the present Democratic campaign, while the Republicans are hard at work. Unless the followers of Bryan awaken they are likely to suffer defeat in this city. The impression prevails in many quarters that those who are making the most noise and occupying the positions of prominence are doing the least work.

Lacking the courage to seize President Kruger on the high seas, England has formally objected to Belgium allowing him to take up his residence in that country. Wonder if England would formally object to the old patriot taking up his residence in France, Russia or the United States. Not much, for the response is foreshadowed, and England has become a little chary about courting snubs.

The Boer war does not seem to be ended by a long shot. The Boers gave the British three defeats last week. The war appears to be over only in the British camps, and even there the Boer "snipers" pick them off if they dare venture from cover.

There may be richer men than Col. John Whallen, but none are possessed of a larger or more generous heart. The world would be much better were there more like him.

Our readers should peruse the letter from the Dublin Wolfe Tone Memorial Association, printed on our first page. The appeal should meet with a liberal response.

The Hibernians had the banner night and carried off the honors at the Sisters' of Mercy bazar.

SAILED FOR ROME.

Letters received Thursday convey the welcome intelligence that Rev. Father Rock left Ireland for Rome on the 16th inst. The letter was of a most cheerful tone.

THEIR FIRST DANCE.

Invitations are being issued for the first dance of the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of Mackin Council, which takes place at Schreiber's Hall on Wednesday evening, November 14. This will doubtless prove an interesting social event, as the young ladies are well known and popular in the West End, and this one should prove more successful than any heretofore given.

CONFIRMATION.

The Catholics of the Louisville diocese are rejoicing that Right Reverend Bishop McCloskey has again resumed his visitations for the administration of the sacrament of confirmation. During the coming week he will confirm four classes, the first tomorrow at Whitesville, the second on Monday at Hardinsburg, the third on Tuesday at St. Mary's and Thursday at St. Anthony's in Breckinridge county.

GROWS STRONGER DAILY.

The numerous friends of Dr. Albert A. Deig, Democratic candidate for School Trustee from the Fourth and Fifth wards, are now confident of his election by a decisive majority. The fact that Dr. Deig has always taken a deep interest in the public schools and will devote his best efforts to benefiting the system has won for him many votes. There are few men as well qualified for the position, either from an educational or business standpoint, which qualifications add great strength to his candidacy, which is daily becoming more popular.

DRAMATIC.

The Priscilla Dramatic Club, composed of young people well known upon the local amateur stage, promises a great and careful presentation at Library Hall on the evening of November 21, when they will produce the popular drama, "A Noble Outcast," for which they have been holding rehearsals for some time past. After the performance the members of the company and their friends will be entertained at a dance at Prof. Dowd's dancing academy. Among the prominent players are Misses Blanche Barker, Anna Wachtel, Anna May Russell, Messrs. Thomas Clines, Will Corigan, John Zoll, Harry Golden, Frank Smith, Henry Silliman and Philip Kindrigan.

When is a lady's arm not a lady's arm? When it is a little bare.

SOCIETY.

The many friends of John Greaney regret his continued illness.

Miss Lillia Kavanagh was this week the guest of Miss Bess Denhard in Parkland.

Miss Susan Fleming had as her guests this week Misses Anna and Lizzie Chinn, of Frankfort.

Mrs. P. E. Sullivan entertained at her home in Parkland this week Mrs. W. L. Dudley, of Long Branch.

John Nally entertained his friends last Monday evening in honor of a bouncing boy who had arrived lately.

Miss Virginia Minor arrived here Tuesday from Indianapolis for a ten days' visit with Miss Grace Bowles.

Miss Kittie Bowling, who has many Louisville admirers, has returned to New Haven, after visiting friends here.

Miss Mayme McAuliffe, of Jeffersonville, is home from Frankfort, where she enjoyed a pleasant visit with friends.

Mrs. Henry Kline has as her guests at her home in New Albany two popular New Orleans society girls, Misses Carrie and Ida Cosgrove.

Andy Meagher, Gilbert Crowder and B. Root will entertain their friends with a dance at Fountain Ferry on Tuesday evening, November 13.

Henry Hild, of the Louisville & Nashville shops, is the proud father of a bouncing boy, who has been named Teddy, but not for the Rough Rider.

The friends of Dan and Joe Sullivan say that it is a close race between them as to whose marriage will be announced first. Dan is the favorite in the betting.

Thomas McCabe, commercial agent of the Illinois Central, returned Tuesday to his home at Reservoir Park from Buffalo, where he has been visiting his daughter.

The Thursday coffee socials at Music Hall were visited by large parties of ladies from all parts of the city. The one given this week was a most enjoyable affair.

Little Miss Mabel Ehrhart entertained in a pleasant manner a large number of her young friends last Sunday evening in honor of her eleventh birthday. The little hostess is the winsome daughter of Officer Edward Ehrhart, 329 East Kentucky street.

It is a bright little girl from Babyland that has come to make the home of Officer John Raglio happy with the sunshine of her smiles. Many friends are still calling at the family residence, 121 Twentieth street, and tendering their congratulations.

Miss Mary Deely, of this city, and James Collins, of London, Eng., were united in marriage Thursday afternoon at the Dominican convent, Rev. Father Fowler performing the ceremony, immediately after which the happy couple left for an extended bridal trip through the South.

The reception tendered the Cecilia Circle last Wednesday by Mrs. J. W. Sweeney at her home in Jeffersonville was one of the most largely attended and delightful thus far given, elaborate preparations having been made by the charming hostess for the entertainment of her guests.

Miss Sadie Harlan, of Kansas City, who has been on a visit here for the past several months as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. William Chawke, of 1141 Sixth street, returned home last week. Miss Harlan made many friends during her stay here, who hope that she will soon repeat her visit.

The marriage of Miss Julia Hood and John McDonough was celebrated Wednesday morning at St. Anthony's church in Jeffersonville, the home of the bride. The ceremony was witnessed by many of the Louisville friends of the contracting parties. The groom is a well known resident of this city.

Miss Lucille Coburn, one of the most attractive and popular young ladies of Fulton, and Joseph Mulligan, the well-known traveling salesman, were united in marriage last Monday at the rectory of the Catholic church in Paducah, after which they came to this city, where they will make their home.

Mrs. Col. John Whallen entertained a number of friends at her home at River-view Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. William Johnson, of New Orleans. The tables were elegantly decorated and a delightful afternoon was enjoyed. The prizes were handsome, and were won by Miss Nora Corbin, Mrs. Frank Muth and Mrs. J. J. Hise.

The Alvista Club have engaged Highland Hall for every other Thursday night throughout the season and are giving invitation dances. The next one will be Thursday, November 1. Following are the club members: A. Bachmann, G. Kircher, C. Reibel, T. Freeman, R. S. Bunker, W. Hartmetz, A. Pound, P. Satterline and W. Lotz.

Invitations are being issued for the marriage of Miss Mary Looser, the pretty daughter of Frank Looser, 624 East Breckinridge street, and Henry V. Bokern, which will be solemnized at St. Martin's church on Wednesday morning, November 7. The groom is a trusted and well-known employee of the Louisville Railway Company.

Henry Hild entertained his friends last Sunday evening in honor of his son, among those present being John Hennessy, Peter Rock, John Woerner, William Cole, Henry Denny and George Schuch. After a delightful repast vocal selections were rendered by William

Deeley, Tom Carroll and Will Miller. The guests now await another invitation.

St. Augustine's church in Jeffersonville will on Tuesday morning, November 6, be the scene of one of this season's prettiest weddings. The contracting parties are Michael Bochart and Miss Julia Lynch, both well known and popular in the best society circles. Father O'Connell will be the celebrant of the nuptial mass and perform the marriage ceremony. After the ceremony the wedding party and their friends will be entertained at a reception in their honor in Speith's Theater.

Among the most interesting marriages of the past week was that of Miss Maggie Greaney and Edwin Shoemaker, which was quietly solemnized at the rectory of St. Patrick's church last Sunday evening, Monsignor Gambon performing the ceremony. The bride is a very charming and estimable young lady, for some time past stenographer with the leading tobacco warehouse on Main street. The groom is the son of John Shoemaker, of California, and the announcement was a pleasant surprise to his host of friends.

The marriage of Miss Marie Rogers, the handsome and accomplished daughter of Newton G. Rogers, the well known lawyer, and Rhodes Dorsey, was solemnized Tuesday afternoon at Lyndon, the wedding being the prettiest home affair ever witnessed there. The bride was attired in an elegant tailor-made traveling costume. After the ceremony they received many congratulations and left upon their honeymoon trip, which will last till November 1, when they will receive their friends at their home at Lyndon. The groom is one of the most prosperous young farmers in Jefferson county.

Mike Garvey was tendered a party Wednesday evening at his home on Charlton street in honor of his birthday. Among the features of the evening was a cake walk that was won by Miss Del Keiran and Johnnie Bishop. Mr. Bishop also rendered several solos, which everybody enjoyed. Those present were Messrs. Mike Garvey and Harry Sanders, Messdames Scannell, O'Neil, Herbert and McCarthy, Misses Lillie, Del and Mollie Keiran, Joe and Mollie Scannell, Maggie Thornberry, Emma Hoerr, Florence Herbert and Lillie Garvey; Messrs. John Bishop, John Rehm, John Walton, John and Will Scannell, Tom Garvey, Jim Lynch, Frank Thornberry, Bud Bray, Mike Hare, John and Eddie Garvey, Will and Frank Guetsel, Willis and Loefer.

No more interesting home wedding has been witnessed this season than that of Charles A. Burton and Miss Daisy Thompson, which took place Tuesday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, 617 First street, Rev. Felix Hill performing the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of William Thompson, the Jefferson-street produce merchant, and since her entry into society has been a great favorite among her large circle of acquaintances and admirers. Charley Burton has for some time past been with the Courier-Journal and numbers his friends by the score. After an elegant wedding supper and reception the young couple left for Chicago, where they will spend their honeymoon. They will be at home to their friends at 617 First street after November 4.

Patrick Cain and Miss Mary Connolly were united in marriage Tuesday afternoon at the Dominican church, Rev. Father Fowler performing the ceremony, which was witnessed by large numbers of their friends. The contracting parties are both quite prominent in Irish-American circles. The bride wore a wedding gown of exquisite beauty and carried a bouquet of bride roses. After the ceremony they were tendered a wedding dinner and reception at their new residence, Nineteenth and Grayson streets, where congratulations were showered upon them. The happy groom was for many years a popular employee of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, but resigned some time ago to engage in business for himself at Nineteenth and Grayson, where his prospects are very bright.

PROMOTED.

Will Miller, for some time employed at the L. & N. shops, but who two weeks ago accepted a position at the main offices at Second and Main, was this week again promoted. His Limerick friends predict that he will yet become a railroad magnate and perhaps sit in a President's chair.

RETURNS WERE NOT ADEQUATE.

A minister in Glasgow, says the Scottish-American, asked an urchin who was standing looking in at one of the Sabbath school windows how he would like to join the Sunday school and grow up a good man.

"What sort o' Sunday schule is it?"

"Established?"

"Yes," said the clergyman. "It is connected with the Established church. Are you not coming in?"

"Na," replied the boy. "I tried the 'Established Kirk Sunday schule last year, an I only got twa fardin oranges an a pock o' sweets at the Christmas tree, sae I'm gwan tae gie the Free kirk a trial this year."

POSITIVELY THE LAST GRAND OUT-OF-TOWN EXCURSION.

"Big Four Route," Sunday, November 4, to points in Indiana Gas Belt. Special train leaves Seventh-street Union depot at 7 o'clock a. m. Returning train arrives in Louisville at 11:40 p. m. Extremely low round-trip rates as follows: Rushville, \$1; Knightstown, \$1; Anderson, \$1.25; Muncie, \$1.25; Alexandria, \$1.25. Tickets on sale at city office, 218 Fourth avenue, and at Seventh-street depot. S. J. Gates, General Agent.

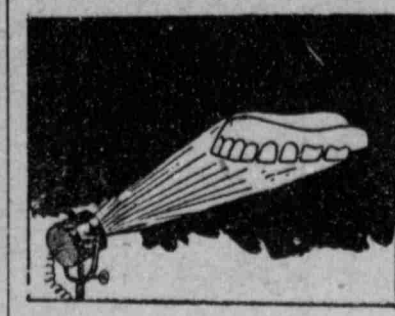
"Come now," persisted the lawyer, "are you not able to say the defendant was in the room at the time and objected to the whole proceedings?" "Yes sir," savagely replied the witness. "I am able to say it, I reckon, but I'd be telling the blindest lie you ever heard of if I did."

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